

Local News From Her Main Cities and Towns.

MINING FLURRY HITS POCA TELLO.

Two Rich Strikes Close to Town
Stir up the Old Dry Bones.

HUMOROUS FIRE INCIDENT.

Women Too Terror Stricken to Walk
Downstairs to Safety—Christoph
Armstrong Dies.

POCA TELLO, Ida., Jan. 25.—Quite a little excitement has been occasioned here by the announcement of at least two rich "strikes" in the mining properties near the city. It has long been conceded that all that Pocatello requires to make of it a big city is an adequate water supply, and the discovery of some good ore bodies, near its borders. The first requisite—water—must be left to the future for a solution, but the mining industry now bids fair to be fully established.

The first "strike" is reported to have been made this week, in the Hovey claims of the Great Northwestern Milling & Mining Co. These claims are located about one mile east of the town, and are about one mile square. The strike was made at a distance of 40 feet on the vein leading off the main tunnel. Manager M. G. Cardon says there is an unlimited amount of ore to get out and ship some 50 tons per day. The ore runs from 15 to 20 per cent copper to the ton, and in the course of development smaller ore bodies have been encountered that have assayed from \$23 per ton upward, running into fabulous values. But this is the first large ore body to be opened and gives every indication of permanent. The company last fall sold considerable stock in the concern, and since then has been keeping a force of men actively at work on the property.

Manager Cardon is now putting in steel rails and ore cars, so that work may be carried on with greater vigor. The second "strike" is reported at the mouth of the Portneuf Canyon, and lying less than 200 yards distant from the main line of the Oregon Short Line. The ore body was uncovered in the Lucky Boy tunnel, which extends for a distance of 165 feet into the mountain. The vein tapped is about 2 1/2 feet wide and carries in it 18 inches of the rich ore. This also runs very high in copper and resembles very much the ore taken from the Moonlight claim north of the city. There are five men now working daily on the property, and the work will be pushed steadily. In the meantime the people here are watching the results with great eagerness.

CHRIS ARMSTRONG DEAD.
Many friends and acquaintances throughout the state will be pained to learn of the death of Christopher Armstrong, the genial proprietor of the Bannock hotel here. For a long time Mr. Armstrong has been suffering with rheumatism, and notwithstanding his strenuous attempt to rid himself of it, both by repeated changes of climate and by securing what aid medical skill or ingenuity could command, the end came at eight minutes past three this morning.

The deceased was 35 years of age and was born in Canada. He came west about five years ago and has conducted hotels at Sumpter, Or., and also the Brooks House, at Idaho Falls. Three years ago he associated himself with the Bannock hotel, and one of his first acts was the enlarging of the hotel by remodeling the old apartments and erecting a large new annex, making the Bannock one of the largest and best hostleries in the state.

The body will be shipped to Canada for burial after local order of Elks have conducted memorial services over the same.

"COLORED" WEDDING.
Mitsuka Kobayashi, a Jap, and Pinkie Lemax, a lady of color, whose progenitors came from the sunny land of the lower Nile, were yesterday united in the White. The groom, by Judge Jones, was assisted by the Rev. J. J. White, pastor of the Methodist church, and the bridesmaids were the daughters of the local colored population.

A man so afflicted with rheumatism that he was unable to move at all, was taken from the train by Policeman E. J. Minidoka. He had been sent here by Minidoka by subscription taken up in the county, and will take charge of the sufferer.

LITTLE BOY HURT.
A painful accident befell the little two-year-old son of Mrs. Hattie Smith, who lives on the east side of town, last Tuesday. The little chap was running around the house with a stick of wood in his mouth, when he tripped and fell, striking upon his face and chest and palate, causing a very painful laceration. A doctor was called and the boy lay for some time before he could check the flow of blood.

EXCITING FIRE.
Fire destroyed a portion of the old Manassah building on Clark St. about midnight last night. The fire was discovered by firemen who happened to arise about 12 o'clock. The fire falling from the roof, it was with great difficulty that the flames were finally subdued.

A horse belonging to Peterson & Co. was burned to death, having become so frantic that he lay down and refused to move. A rather humorous phase of the occurrence was the utter inability of the firemen to get the horse out of the building, notwithstanding their efforts. The horse was eventually shot and the fire was then extinguished. The fire was thoroughly qualified to meet the exigencies of the case, however.

ever, and right valiantly did they rush into the rooms and seize the trembling maidens in their manly arms, and bear them thence to safety.

The building is the property of Julius Rosenberg, of the Pocatello Mercantile Co.

ACCIDENT IN SHOPS.
S. M. Kymes, a machinist working in the shops here, met with a painful accident Monday, as a result of which it was found necessary to amputate one finger, and another one is badly lacerated. The injury was caused by a piston rod of an engine falling on his hand.

F. A. Lantry, a machinist helper, also had his right hand badly crushed. So many false alarms of fire have been turned in lately, that the city authorities have found it necessary to offer a reward of \$25 for the arrest and conviction of the culprits.

JOHN F. SHELLEY RESIGNS AS BISHOP.

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE.
SHELLEY, BINGHAM CO., IDA., Jan. 25.—Last week a meeting was called and held for the purpose of making a change in the bishopric of the ward. Of the stake presidency, Lornezo R. Thomas was present and presided. He announced that Bishop John F. Shelley, had tendered his resignation some time ago, on account of his wife's health, which made it necessary for him to be away from the ward, a good part of the time.

His resignation was accepted and the name of Joseph Holland, one of the High Council of the stake, was presented as the future Bishop of the ward, and was sustained as such.

It is with regret that the majority of the people of the ward have parted with their tried and trusted Bishop and friend. No other man has done more for the country and people than John F. Shelley. He was the first to settle in this place and with his means and unflinching integrity has done a big share toward making this part of the country and town what it is.

Considerable snow has fallen this winter. The ground was covered with about eight inches, until recently. A rain and warm wind has taken the greater part away and converted it into ice, which makes traveling difficult. A. E. Christensen and Andrew Jensen have been last evening for Moroni, Utah, to attend the funeral of Peter Christensen, who was killed in a snow slide at Sunnyside. A wood dance will be given in the Shelley hall on the 26th, for the purpose of obtaining fuel for the hall, and also for the poor of the ward. Picnic will be provided by the Relief society and an enjoyable time is anticipated.

There has been some talk of a local paper being published in Shelley in the near future.

Good health prevails among the people, with the exception of slight coughs and colds.

RIVERSIDE HAS NEW BISHOPRIC.

RIVERSIDE, Bingham Co., Ida., Jan. 25.—On Jan. 5 a farewell party was given Elder Richard Norwood, who went to the Southern States on the 10th. There are now four missionaries in the field from this little ward.

BISHOPRIC REORGANIZED.
Saturday evening, Jan. 13, President Elias S. Kimball and members of the High Council were here and held a meeting with the people for the purpose of reorganizing the ward. Bishopric, Bishop G. B. Wirtle and his counselors, C. S. Dalton and Walter Bunot, were honorably released and awarded a sincere vote of appreciation for their faithful work. John W. Bliton was sustained as the new Bishop, and he will select his counselors later.

At this same meeting Sisters Hannah Adams, Elizabeth Wilson, and Elizabeth Crawford were honorably released as Relief society presidency. They have served the people for 18 years, and did it well.

The wife of Alma Cloughs presented him with a nine pound boy on the 5th inst. This morning Mr. and Mrs. Archia Isaacs are happy in the advent of a new girl.

There is considerable sickness in this village. Several are convalescing from typhoid.

The price of hay is soaring upward. It is now bringing from \$5 to \$10 per ton.

Many sheep and cattle have come in the valley to winter this season. Merchants claim to have had a very good run of business during the season.

A good Latter-day Saint chorister greatly needed here, as the former leader has moved to Logan, Utah.

There are several places for sale here in this valley, and homesteaders will find many advantages here. There are two schools in good running order, and well patronized, and there is a good class of business men here.

There will be a rabbit drive tomorrow and Saturday, when the people expect to corral 1,000 bunnies.

**PAYETTE STEAM ROAD
TO NEW PLYMOUTH.**
SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE.
PAYETTE, Ida., Jan. 25.—There is every prospect that just as soon as the weather settles surveying parties will be in the field for the proposed steam line between Payette and New Plymouth, which is to be put in by C. W. Nibley and other prominent Salt Lake capitalists, and that within the next few weeks active construction work will have begun.

At a meeting of the Payette Commercial club this week, representatives of the New Plymouth Commercial club were present, it was agreed that the two clubs should jointly enter into a bond of \$10,000 for the furnishing of a free right of way, terminal facilities at the two towns and a cash subscription of \$2,500, which latter will go toward building a bridge over the Payette river, over which the road will enter Payette. According to the agreement formulated between the two clubs at the meeting, Payette is to furnish the cash subscription and the New Plymouth club is to furnish the right of way. The proposed road will pass through the heart of the rich agricultural lands of the Payette valley, and the principal tonnage figured on will be sugar beets, which next season will be cut at the Nampa factory and later at one to be established at Payette.



A TYPICAL IRRIGATION WATER WHEEL ON THE BOISE RIVER.

OAKLEY SURELY NOW EXPANDING.

One of Most Important Events
That Has Happened in
Religious Circles.

FIRST WARD DIVIDED IN TWO.

Hector C. Haight and David P. Thomas
Appointed Bishops Over the
New Sections.

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE.
OAKLEY, Cassia Co., Ida., Jan. 25.—One of the most important events that has happened in religious circles in Oakley for years was the dividing of the Oakley First ward, which took place last Sunday night. It is a little more than three years since the Oakley ward was cut in three, forming the First, Second and Third wards. R. H. Hunter, the Bishop at that time, became the Bishop of the Second ward, where he resided, and Hector C. Haight was selected to preside over the First ward, with David P. Thomas and George Cranner as his counselors. These three men have worked in harmony with the confidence of the people, and their labors have been so successful that the ward at the time of this latter division was not far from the size of what it was before the first separation.

On Sunday evening, when the business was transacted, the body of the stake house was well filled. There were present on the stand, beside the ward bishopric, William T. Jack and William T. Harper of the stake presidency; M. O. Funk, stake clerk; Levia Bates, representing the Relief society; G. A. Condie, stake superintendent of Sunday schools; A. M. Merrill, stake superintendent of Y. M. M. I. associations, and Bishop R. H. Hunter of the Second ward.

Appropriate and feeling remarks were made by Bishop Haight and counselors, President W. T. Jack, Bishop Hunter and President W. T. Harper, and the following officers were sustained by the people of the new ward, which will be known as Oakley Fourth ward: D. P. Thomas, Bishop; M. O. Funk, first counselor; Thomas H. Clark, second counselor; Fannie L. Harper, president Relief society; O. P. Bates, superintendent of Sunday schools; G. A. Condie, stake superintendent of the Y. M. M. I. A.; Viola Dayley, president Primary association.

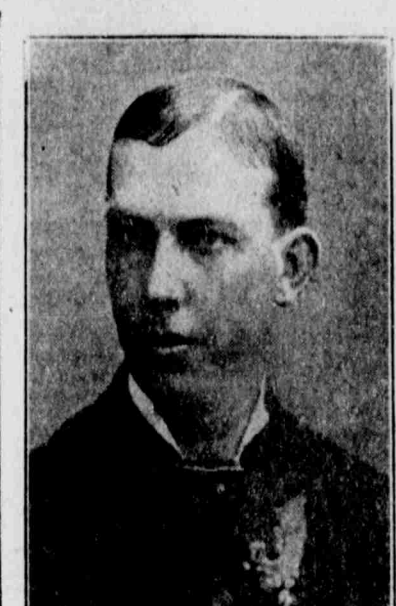
The officers of the Oakley First ward are as follows: Hector C. Haight, Bishop; William R. Lee, who is expected home soon from the Central States mission, first counselor; Heber K. McBride, second counselor; John J. Millard, ward clerk; Precilla Millard, president Relief society; J. J. Millard, superintendent of Sunday schools; H. K. McBride, president Y. M. M. I. A.; Alice Millard, president Primary association; Henry Otte, chorister, and J. Lyman Smith, organist.

Other minor officers in each of the wards will be selected at some future time. The audience had been seated on the east and west sides of the hall according to their respective residence in the division, and each officer was sustained by the unanimous vote of the people.

During the services and at the close of the meeting many tears were shed by officers and members of the former Oakley First ward, who had formed most endearing affections for each other. A splendid spirit prevailed, and the occasion will long be remembered by those who were present. The universal acclamation was: Success to the old and to the new wards.

Among the speakers at the tabernacle last Sunday were Elders Robert S. Wilson, formerly of San Juan county, who has come back to Cassia after an absence of six years, to settle down for life, and Marcus E. Funk of Sanford, Colorado, who is making a tour of the Intermountain region. Needless to say, Mr. Funk is much taken up with Idaho, and particularly with the Goose creek valley. The genial "Ab" Funk is representing the grocery department of Z. C. M. L. spent Sunday in Oakley. In fact, many of the "Knights of the Grip" make it a point to spend the Lord's day in this quiet village; we guess that the hospitable home of Aunt Precilla has some bearing in these cases.

FOREST RESERVE.
A petition is being circulated for endorsement to be sent to Washington, asking that a nice-nice strip be released from the reserve. This strip will not affect the portion of the re-



BISHOP D. P. THOMAS.
(From an Old Photo.)



BISHOP H. C. HAIGHT.

serve along the water sheds, but is indispensable to sheep men for a spring shearing and lambing range.

FROZEN IN MOUNTAINS.
A young man by the name of Brackenberry, son of Valison Brackenberry of Almog, started from Oakley on horseback Friday afternoon on his way to Almog. The night was frightfully cold, and it appears that his horse gave out with him and he tried to foot it through, but he did not reach Almog. Searching parties who went out from Oakley and Almog found the young man in the City of Rocks, frozen to death. He had gone about over two miles before he was overcome with the cold.

MINIDOKA PROJECT.
There is considerable uneasiness among the people who have filed on homesteads under the proposed pumping plant, on the south side of the Snake river, since the word was sent out from Washington that these settlers need not expect water for their lands before 1907. 489 settlers will be compelled to haul water and live on sagebrush tea for that extended period, or abandon their homes and seek homes and a living elsewhere. People here are confident that if the true situation could be brought to the attention of President Roosevelt, there would be something doing along the line of caring for the needs of these people long before 1907. Humanity demands that something be done for their relief.

Four Hundred Babies.
St. Vincent's Infant Asylum, Chicago, shelters homeless babies awaiting adoption, and there are nearly 400 babies there. Sister Julia writes: "I cannot say too much in praise of Foley's Honey and Tar for coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough. Contains no opiates and is safe and sure. Ask for Foley's Honey and Tar for coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough. It is a safe remedy and certain in results. It is a safe substitute for any other." This strip will not affect the portion of the re-

MARYSVILLE FEELS SLIGHTED.

Citizens do Not Take Kindly to
Proposition of the New
Town Ashton.

FIGHT IS ON FOR A DEPOT.

Residents Argue that the Short Line
Should Consider Their Claims
For Recognition.

MARYSVILLE, Jan. 25.—The trains are now running tri-weekly to Marysville and the people appreciate its valuable service for the bountiful harvest of the past season would have taken months of hard work to have hauled it to market. The Farmers Elevator and Exchange company has its large warehouse about completed and is handling the grain as fast as it comes in paying the highest market price for the same. As quickly as possible the company expects to put in an elevator and carry all kinds of farm implements, seeds, etc., for the benefit of the people. Already several cars of grain have been shipped.

The fight for a depot between Marysville and the proposed town of Ashton is still on. It is hoped, however, that the railroad company will consider the proposition well, and ask themselves the questions: Who have made this country what it is? Who have stood the hardships of years of hard labor, privation and built up the town, until it has reached the point of a flourishing village organization, has one of the best graded schools in the county, one of the best meetinghouses in Fremont stake, and from whom they will derive their support? Citizens do not blame real estate boomers for trying to make money. If Ashton wants a depot give it one, but Marysville wants one too, and does not think it a fair deal to make one central point as the Ashton people argue. The country is sufficiently large to support two.

This country is fast coming to the front and a large immigration is due next season. Snow is about 18 inches deep. The fall in the mountains has been unusually heavy. It is reported to be five feet in Island Park.

With the exception of colds the health of the people is good.

DISTRICT COURT CONVENES AT MALAD.

MALAD CITY, Ida., Jan. 25.—District court convened in Malad Monday, Judge Judge presiding. Attorneys T. D. Jones, D. C. McDougall, S. D. Davis of Malad, Joseph Davis of Preston and D. W. Standford of Pocatello were present. The following cases came up.

Obay cutting affair, which resulted in sending the young man to the reform school.

Arthur Stayner vs. St. John Irrigation company.

M. P. Fifield vs. Oregon Short Line Railroad company.

Oregon Short Line Railroad company vs. Richard Wick.

James Larson vs. Thomas Jolley.

American Power company vs. American Falls Power, Light & Water company.

State of Idaho vs. Ephraim R. Davis.

State of Idaho vs. K. Thumeyer.

In the latter case a jury was impaneled which returned a verdict of not guilty, and Mr. Thumeyer was set free.

The Madison Square company is playing ball at the Opera House this week to crowded houses.

Word came to Malad yesterday that Lewis Bowen of Sanaria had received serious injuries by being run over. He was driving horses when a runaway team ran over him.

**ATTRACTIVE SESSION
AT PARIS CONFERENCE.**
SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE.
PARIS, BEAR LAKE CO., Jan. 25.—One of the most attractive and most profitable M. L. A. stake conferences yet held here took place in the Fielding academy and in the tabernacle last Saturday and Sunday. Although the temperature was near the zero mark all the time and the snow almost a foot deep, yet the most distant associations were well represented,

a number of delegates coming as far as 30 miles. The special visitors from Salt Lake City, Miss Sarah Eddington and Elder B. E. Grant, reached Paris in time for the banquet held in the academy gymnasium Saturday night. It was one of the most pleasing gatherings ever held here. Officers' meeting at 10, and public sessions in the afternoon and evening of the same day in the stake tabernacle. Elder Grant related, among other things, a number of incidents of the journey of President Smith and party. The M. L. A. work here has received a great impetus by this conference and the most satisfactory results are sure to follow.

Annual banquets have recently been given in each of the two wards of Paris. The first ward function, which occurred last Friday evening, was perhaps one of the most entertaining of the present season. Approximately 150 of the older and the married people were seated for supper at the bountifully laden tables after which, games, speeches, and dancing were indulged in, greatly to the pleasure of all present.

Mr. Fay Austin of Montpelier has been appointed county attorney, to succeed Jesse R. S. Budge. Mr. Austin is well qualified for the position, being a graduate of the University of Vermont, and having had much practice in legal matters.

NEELEY RESERVOIR FULL TO OVERFLOWING.

NEELEY, Oneida Co., Jan. 25.—Up to date Neeley has had 24 inches of snow this winter; the last snow being one foot. There is every reason to suppose that the people will have more water for irrigation than they have had for years.

The big reservoir, about two miles from here, was full at the time of the recent thaw and rain, and as it was feared that the walls would break and flood the town, Bishop Neeley, who is looking after the reservoir, let out the extra water into the creek.

Thursday and Friday there was no school on account of the bad weather. Friday, Miss Nelson, principal of the schoolhouse, but as there were only four pupils present, she helped those present with their arithmetic and then dismissed them. The walking was so bad that it took her about an hour to walk the three-fourths of a mile from her home to the schoolhouse.

There was the beginning of a fire at school Tuesday morning, the heat in the furnace pipes was so intense that the woodwork around one of the registers began to smoke. Water was used at once, and the heat shut off so no flames broke out.

DAISY DEAN COMPANY APPEARS IN FRANKLIN.

FRANKLIN, Oneida Co., Idaho, Jan. 24.—On Wednesday evening last the Daisy Dean Dramatic Co. of Richmond, presented at the Opera House in Franklin, the little drama, "Because I Love You." It was well played, each character being well sustained. The players excelled many traveling companies that have come here.

On Sunday last, Elder Mathias Wilson, a young man just returned from a mission to England, preached in Franklin. He gave a brief but interesting account of his mission.

John Albiston is seriously sick with pneumonia.

Among many industries here there is a fine class creamery. Also a fine rolling flouring mill and a woolen factory, all in good running order.

William Webster has severed his connection with the Oneida Mercantile Institution. He was the oldest clerk in the store.

OXFORD VILLAGE IS GETTING A BIG BOY NOW.

OXFORD, Idaho, Jan. 25.—The long anticipated, much talked of and sincerely desired has happened and is now a reality. This little community is henceforth to be known among its sister towns as the "Village of Oxford," the privilege of incorporation having been granted by the board of Commissioners of Bannock county at their last session.

The board of trustees for the "new town," consisted of Geo. H. Fisher, J. H. Hardwick, John W. Baker, R. C. Lewis and others. William H. Fisher held here this week, effected a permanent organization, having elected Geo. H. Fisher, as chairman. The following appointments were made: For clerk, C. LeRoy Lewis; for treasurer, Olof R. Olson; and for attorney, Wm. F. Fisher.

The requisite bylaws will be formulated immediately and in the near future the little mill will be grinding out a few ordinances intended for the benefit of all concerned.

That this is a step in the right direction no one denies, and it is conceded by all that with fair chances the sanitary arrangements, business enterprises, social and religious conditions will be greatly improved. True that some dissatisfaction over the "votes and bounds" of the village is expressed, and perhaps justly, for a mistake in this direction is only a verification of the adage that "one's foresights are never as good as the hindsight," but such trifling differences can easily be remedied and adjustments made at the proper time, that will undoubtedly be suitable to the severest critic if only the right spirit be exhibited in the effort to bring about the things desired.

The members comprising the board of trustees are a congenial, enterprising lot of fellows, and the appointees have the requisite qualifications to fill their positions of responsibility.

EARLY SETTLER DIES AT CLIFTON OF PARALYSIS.

CLIFTON, Idaho, Jan. 25.—After a severe stroke of paralysis E. H. Hooker passed away after lingering for five days. His death was peaceful. He rallied once long enough to tell his son that he wanted him to have his farm which he had been breaking and improving for the past 15 years.

E. H. Hooker left Charleston, S. C., when nine years of age with his mother, in the ship Brooklyn, and after a six months' voyage round the Horn, he landed in California, where his mother secured a small place of property, which later became valuable as the state developed. Following the discovery of gold from California, they went to Salt Lake, later to Clifton where the mother died.

Many friends attended the funeral and bore testimony to the sterling merit of the deceased who was generally respected and beloved.

BUILDING BOOM FOR ST. ANTHONY

Many New Structures Planned to
Go up When Spring
Arrives.

COAL FAMINE NOW BROKEN.

Four Carloads and Consignments by
Team Arrived During the Week
To Relieve the Situation.

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

ST. ANTHONY, Ida., Jan. 25.—Bridge street is to receive great improvement on the opening of spring. Many new buildings are to be added to this now busy thoroughfare. The Ashcroft-Watson building is likely to be increased to a three-story brick structure at a cost of \$30,000 which will make one of the most commodious and substantial buildings in the Snake River valley. Charles Bartlett contemplates building a large business establishment on the ground adjoining the Watson Drug store. Mr. Eggleston also has the plans for a large new restaurant and lodging house on the corner of Main and Bridge streets. Other improvements are also under way, which will add to the business of this street, which is now quite lively, especially Saturdays, when it is lined with teams.

The "famine of coal" is being broken to a certain extent, four cars having arrived this week, also 20 tons from Teton basin by team of before many more moons coal will also be hauled from Kilgore, which will greatly help alleviate the wants in this line.

Hugh Fern has nearly completed his new turning and machine shop on Main street. His contracting has reached to such a degree that it demands shop and technical machine work to aid in the general increase of work in this line.

Mr. Louis Fay has bought the Star restaurant on Main street, and is making some neat improvements. The popularity of this new restaurant is such as to occasion Mr. Fay to make a modern eating house out of it, on a much larger scale than heretofore.

The Baptist church is the foundation of the new Baptist church is already on the ground. When completed it will add much to the looks of Washington avenue.

Jas. Lewis is establishing a branch of his racket store at Marysville. This will make the second branch house for "Jimmie," one being already located at Rexburg.

Someone made a wholesale slaughter of dogs the first of the week via the poison route. Eight canines died within a short time, most of them being pet family animals. The officials are making a searching investigation, and if the parties who put the poison out are found, they will be severely dealt with.

Mrs. R. Wiley was turned to Stone last night by wedding our erstwhile butcher, Mr. Andrew Stone.

PARKER BUYS HAY FROM ITS NEIGHBORS.

PARKER, Fremont Co., Ida., Jan. 25.—The weather has been very changeable lately, snowing, thawing, and freezing by turns. There is more snow now than for several winters past.

Business is very quiet at the present. Parker is hauling hay from neighboring towns and fuel is very scarce.

There is but one case of scarlet fever remaining, that in the family of Rodney Remington, otherwise the health of the people is good.

Rexburg talent, headed by Prof. Ezra Christensen, gave an enjoyable concert on the 17th inst.

A reunion of the Jackson family was held on the 9th, when a fine program was rendered and a pleasurable time had.

On Friday, the 26th, the Relief society will give a concert and dramatic entertainment.

A brass band and a new orchestra band are being organized. Mr. Eli H. Lee is the chief mover in these matters. On Feb. 14, a grand chamber ball will be given, the proceeds to aid in the payment of band instruments.

The Literary society is again holding its regular meetings, which are a social success.

SOME PERSONALS FROM REXBURG, IDAHO.

REXBURG, Idaho, Jan. 25.—Mayor John L. Jacobs is confined to his bed with erysipelas. However at present he is somewhat improved.

Word reaches here that President Albert Hess is just recovering from a two weeks' siege of tonsillitis.

Elder Rudger Clawson of the quorum of Twelve Apostles and President Jos. W. McMurrin of the First Council of Seventy, were present at the quarterly conference of the Fremont stake which convened on Jan. 21 and 22.

Mr. Stephen Skelton and wife, nee Miss Ella Jacobs, just returned from Salt Lake City, where they have been for the purpose of being married. Mrs. Skelton is the accomplished daughter of Mayor John L. Jacobs.

BLACKFOOT MEN ARE ANXIOUS ABOUT SHEEP.

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE.
BLACKFOOT, Ida., Jan. 25.—During the past 10 days the snowfall has been much heavier in this valley than for many years past. The sleighing has been good until the past few days when the heavy rains melted the snow on the roads. The snow is reported to be very deep in the mountains and the prospects are good for an abundance of water the coming season.

The heavy snows of the past two weeks have caused much trouble to the sheep men on the desert west of here, the snow being so deep that the sheep could not find feed nor could they travel much. James Johnson, of the Johnston, Severson company, states that they have been breaking trails and getting their sheep out as fast as possible and thinks they will save most of them.

The Circulation of
the Deseret